Appendix A--List of Final Regulations Published from October through December 1999

FEDERAL REGISTER DATE	PART	PURPOSE
October 20, 1999	602	Implements provisions the Higher Education Amendments of 1998 (1998 Amendments) added to the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA).
October 22, 1999	668	Implements changes the 1998 Amendments made to the HEA.
October 25, 1999	674 and 682	Adds criteria that allow Peace Corps volunteers who are ineligible for deferment or cancellation of their federal student loans based solely on Peace Corps service to automatically qualify for economic hardship deferments while they are serving in the Peace Corps. This change also applies to the William D. Ford Federal Direct Loan (Direct Loan) Program in accordance with Sec. 685.204(b)(3) of the Direct Loan Program regulations, which references the standards set forth in Sec. 682.210(s) of the Federal Family Education Loan (FFEL) Program regulations in establishing a Direct Loan borrower's eligibility for an economic hardship deferment. Also amends Federal Perkins Loan Program regulations to eliminate the provision that requires a borrower to submit a request for a loan deferment, including a deferment in anticipation of cancellation, in writing.
October 27, 1999	685	Implements changes the 1998 Amendments made to the HEA to charge reduced interest rates on Direct Loan Program loans to encourage on-time loan repayment.
October 28, 1999	674	Implements changes the 1998 Amendments made to the HEA that affect the institutions that participate in, and borrowers who have loans made under, the Federal Perkins Loan Program. Expands borrower benefits under the Federal Perkins Loan Program by increasing loan limits, expanding borrower eligibility for deferments and cancellations, establishing a loan rehabilitation program for borrowers in default on their Federal Perkins Loans, establishing an incentive repayment program, and providing a closed school discharge.
October 28, 1999	668, 673, 674, 675, 676, and 690	Incorporates changes the 1998 Amendments made to the HEA.
October 29, 1999	600 and 668	Implements statutory changes the 1998 Amendments made to the HEA. Many of the final regulatory changes merely conform current regulatory provisions to the statutory changes.
October 29, 1999	682	Implements changes the 1998 Amendments made to the HEA, including changes to the financial structure of guaranty agencies.
November 1, 1999	668	Implements statutory changes the 1998 Amendments made to the HEA.
November 1, 1999	668, 682, and 685	Implements statutory changes the 1998 Amendments made to the HEA regarding the treatment of Title IV, HEA program funds when a student withdraws from an institution.
November 1, 1999	668	Amends the loan default reduction and prevention measures to reflect changes made to the HEA.
November 1, 1999	682 and 685	Implements recently enacted changes the 1998 Amendments made to the HEA that affect FFEL borrowers, schools, lenders, and guaranty agencies and Direct Loan borrowers and schools. Improves the efficiency of federal student aid programs and, by so doing, improves their capacity to enhance opportunities for postsecondary education.